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AFHQ REPRESENTATION, LONDON
AUG. - DEC. 1945

To: Executive Commissioner

Request approval and signature of Chief Commissioner on letters opposite to the British Ambassador and U. S. Ambassador informing them of Allied Commission's views on Italian representation on European Committee.

Zeon Sec
7 Dec 45

Harry Penland

Chief Commissioner:

2 cc Hens

Attached ~~are~~ submitted for your signature information 4132

T.H.M. 12/12/45

approval

12/15/45

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V.P. Econ Sec.

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I agree with Econ Sec view which
on A.C.S. views - M.S. embassy can be so
informed: & in addition that Br. Embassy
is taking a positive line.

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33.

1. Let 30 in reply to on 25. Mr. O. C. has asked US & U.K. Ambassadors to propose to their Govts that they attend committee meetings in London of 9.00, 10.00, 11.00 as there was a with greater powers. No answer yet received. Pressure is action necessary on 30.

2. 30 for info in reply to 23. Suggested we do not inform Govt. the position until a final decision as to the help representation on these committees is given (para 2 of 30 refers).

3. Pressure we will be hearing from U.S. Embassy soon in view of telegram from State Department (31 refers). Suggested waiting for their reply before any action is taken. Gov. Com. may like

to see. BU to CSO on return. 28. 24/11.
25/24/11

Ex Comm

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Re see long minute 33 & relevant correspondence.
I think no action till further replies arrive.

CSO Devermore is submitting a further memo
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CS Devermore in submitting a further memo
 28/25/11
 28/27/11

28. Ex. Com. any file, up to 28. 55-56.
 (How see 56) ~~which checking letter mentioned in para 1 - not reviewed here~~

2. 53-58 memo referred to in para 35 above.
3. At 34-50 interesting wreath sum way of all correspondence re Italy a 28. C.C. 5. 5. C.C. 1. 7. 0.
 28. 29/11.

Ex. Com.
 28. Plans also re 50. 50a. As it is has wired F.O. requesting Italian representation on these committees. This greatly strengthens our position.
 28. 29/11.

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CSO - By folios 6 & 57 - 7th 10.

Page 5 of Troopers signal contains answer to Davies letter (folio 5A) replied to by C.I. (folio 5B) before addressing Italian government should not be. Sig. find out whether freedom (to whom the signal is addressed) has any qualifications, additions, etc. to add.

Encl 11/10

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Capt White / Ex. Com. has already seen P. 5000A
on another file. There is something appropriate in the minutes of the last V.P. of Ex. Com. Meeting which should be extracted & placed in this or the other file.

Free 12/10.

Ex. Com. 60 22 You
ESD - Herewith letter from Ex. Com. to Ambassador
Kirk subject representation of Italian
on EEC for signature. (Letter was
drafted in Ex. Com.'s office)
Ex. Com. has been requested to prepare

to whom the original
any qualifications, additions, etc. to
add.

Encl 11/10

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Capt White / Ex. Com. has already seen P. 50057
10/10A
on another file. There is some thing appropriate
in the minutes of the last V.P. of Ex. Com. Meeting
which should be extracted & placed in this
or the other file.

File 12/10.

Ex. Com.

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ESD - Herewith letter from E.C. to Ambassador
Ribe subject representation of Italian
on ETC E. for signature. (Letter was
drafted in E.C.'s office)

EC Section has been requested to prepare
letter for AA Italian Ministry of Gov.
affair

File 12/10. Encl 12/19

To: Chief Commissioner

9th October, 1945

I discussed page 10 with General Duff. He agrees with you that it is unnecessary to pursue this matter in view of War Office decision although he recognizes the difficulty of sending a number of experts from the Commission.

He told me that he understood from his copy of the telegram that para 6 indicated that there would be no SACRED representation in London and that the word "of" in line 4 should read "by".

F.L.

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Note 2
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BRIGADIER
Executive Commissioner

20/12/45
F.L.

F.L.

Chief Commissioner.

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OCT 30 1945

Approved:
Attached is submitted for your signature
information

Copy to C.S.? yes

Mr. C.S.

OK GWS

Chief Commissioner.

OCT 30 1945

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Approved:
Attached is submitted for your signature
information

Copy given to Mr. Evans for ammunition in London
MS (501x)

Approved
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EC

Chief Commissioner

OCT 30 1955

Approval
Attached is submitted for your signature
information

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Copy RGS? yes

Mr (25) x

OK GWS

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Chief Commissioner

OCT 30 1955

Approval
Attached is submitted for your signature
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MS (30) x

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P 5 for info. only

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Chief Commissioner

Attached is submitted for your approval
signature
information

E.C.

I will make proposals for Br. Andrew's

210 replacement when I have discussed with the V.P.
H.S. (H.K.)

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Ex. Com.

P. 10 for info.

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V.P. Econ Sec.

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May I have your comments?

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(14) H.S. (H.K.)
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Discussed at Ex Com's
meeting

H.S. (H.K.)
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CSO. For info. Folio ~~5A~~ 5A

Emel H. H.

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Note - Folio ~~5A~~ answered. Letter prepared by Ec Sec.
sent to CC 28/9 for signature

Emel 28/9

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Exhibit

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For your information please see folios 1, 2 & 3.

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13 December 1945

My dear Mr. Ambassador:

Your letter of 12 November (reference 20172/15 C.S.) on Italian representation on European Committee is much appreciated; I shall be most interested to learn of the results of your recommendations to London.

Enclosed for your information and any further action you desire to take is a copy of a letter (27/3.20 of 27 November) from the Vice President of the Economic Section to the Executive Commissioner, Allied Commission. The recommendations therein contained have been adopted as the policy of the Allied Commission. Your particular attention is invited to the first sentence of paragraph 8.

I am also sending the American Ambassador a copy of Mr. Cleveland's letter with a request that the American Embassy likewise consider adopting my recommendations and presenting them to Washington.

Sincerely yours,

Elery W. Stone

ELERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Encl - as above

Sir Noel Charles, St., KMG
British Ambassador
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13 December 1945

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My dear Mr. Ambassador:

I refer to my letter of 31 October 1945, reference 4048/18/20, on the subject of Italian representation on the various European Committees.

Enclosed is a copy of a letter, dated 27 November 1945, reference 4048/3.20, from the Vice President of Economic Section to the Executive Commissioner, Allied Commission. Its recommendations have been adopted as the policy of the Allied Commission. Your particular attention is invited to the first sentence of paragraph 8.

The British Ambassador has informed me that he entirely agrees with the views which I expressed in my letter of 31 October to you, referred to above, and that he has submitted recommendations by telegraph to London. I should much appreciate your consideration and adoption of my recommendations as contained in Mr. Cleveland's letter of 27 November, and shall be pleased to learn the terms of your recommendations to Washington.

Sincerely yours,

10/ Elery W. Stone

ELERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Encl - as above

The Honorable Alexander Kirk
United States Ambassador
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
ECONOMIC SECTION
APO 394

LDD/rer

Ref. : 257

27 November 1945

Ref. : ES/3.20 Vol. 4
ES/15.12/6
ES/15.20

NOV 28 1945

SUBJECT: Italian Representation on ECEC, ECO and ECITO

TO : The Executive Commissioner

1. Present US and UK position is reflected by paraphrase of LAS #18, dated 10 November US State Department Washington to US Embassy Rome and letter 16 November Polad (A) to Executive Commissioner, as modified by paraphrase of telegram No. 60 US BALCO 12 November 1945, US Embassy London repeated to US Embassy Rome.

(a) LAS #18 sets forth the US position to be -

"The Department of State now is of the opinion that Italy should be invited immediately to send observers to ECO and ECEC. Italian participation through observers is considered preferable at this time of proposing full membership. In this manner political and jurisdictional questions may be avoided and in view of the informal nature of the above organizations the kind of representation is not of first importance. Italians would, in fact, have full representation in the same manner as other countries represented by observers. No objection to ALCOM continuing to send technical experts to ad hoc meetings in London. In view of the existence of an ECITO office in Rome and the fact that membership in ECITO requires more formal action by the member governments, the State Department is of the opinion that Italian membership in ECITO is not necessary at this time."

(b) Telegram #60 of 19 November 1945 USL London repeated to USL Rome states:

- (1) As to ECEC a separate telegram to follow (not received by ALCOM as of 27 November).
- (2) As to ECO - It was agreed on November 9 at ECO combing meeting that for the purpose of advising US and UK concerning requirements of Italy, Italian technical adviser would attend Allocations Proposals Committee meeting with AC representative. Although we look with favor on membership of Italy, UK position is that full membership of Italy should not be granted before Government of Italy has full

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charge of her export-import program. Position of UK is that to enjoy full membership, member country should be free to render decisions as other member governments are. We hesitate to bring this matter before the Council without reaching previous agreement acceptance. Italy, now having technical adviser at meetings on allocations, is able to present justifications for requirements and will be in position to be fully informed regarding activities of ECO. Those observers who are now present at Council meetings represent countries which have not yet received instructions from their respective governments but which have been invited to become members. We are not in favor of Italian observer status on Council at the present moment if it can be avoided; our suggestion is that Italian participation ECO remain for the present as has been agreed, until economic position of Italy enables us to extend full membership invitation."

2. In LRS #18 the U. S. State Department stated "In view of existence of an ECITO office in Rome, the State Department is of the opinion that Italian membership in ECITO is not necessary at this time."

3. It is apparent that there exists some confusion with respect to the proposed establishment of an ECITO Regional Office in Rome. We (the Economic Section AC) understand that under the frame work of ECITO, it is intended (see ref. 870/72/Tn. 1 of 20 November 1945) that each member government of ECITO will set up in its own capital a Regional Office, under its own auspices, to carry out the work of ECITO in that country. Italy not being a member cannot at this time set up such regional office.

4. In order to carry out ECITO's relations with military and occupation authorities in Germany and Austria, a separate continental office has been set up in Brussels under the Deputy-Director General of ECITO (Maj. Gen. Hewar). This office covers the military liaison side of ECITO's work and is known as ORMOA (Office for Relations with Military and Occupation Authorities). There are branches of ORMOA in London, (with Headquarters ECITO), in Paris (with Regional Office ECITO) and an office of ORMOA has just been opened in Rome by Brigadier Fellows. The Rome office of ORMOA will not deal with the Italian Government except through ALSCA or APH, (see again ref. 870/72/Tn. 1. of 20 November). The Rome office of ORMOA is in no way a substitute for either Italian Government (1) membership (2) official observer or (3) technical adviser, on ECITO.

5. With respect to ECO reference is made to the 8 November meeting of ECO council mentioned in State Department telegram #60 paragraph 1 b (2) hereof. Col. P. R. Evans (B) who attended the meeting as representative of ALSCA reported as follows:

"At the meeting of the ECO council on 8 November, it was agreed that an Italian "technical adviser" should attend the next meetings with the AC representative. ECO would not agree to an official Italian Government representative, but there is no reason why e.g. Lombardo should not go as a "technical adviser".

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Representatives will go either as advisers to UK/US members or as advisers to UNEFA, depending on the situation."

Approval (C40737 of 34 November) received from EMBUSA for travel of Colonel Walker and clearance requested for Doctor H. E. Lombardo.

6. Relative to EECR. An AICOM representative, also Prof. Bergani Minister of Public Health Italian Government have been invited to attend conference under EECR to be held in London on subject "Control of insect and rodent pests." See reference AGR/886 of 29 October.

7. A summary of the situation seems to be that the U. S. State Department favors membership for Italy on the three organizations but because of the position believes that at present the Italian Government should be given the status of "Observer". The British view and that of the organizations, appears to be that since certain governments who have not instructed their representatives have the status of "Observers", Italian Government representation should be on the basis of "Technical adviser".

8. It is the view of the Economic Section that the Italian Government should be permitted full membership on EECR, ECO and ECITO as soon as the situation will permit. In the meantime, it is recommended that the Italian Government be given the status of "Non-member observer" as distinguished from "Member observer". It is considered that the Italian representation on the basis of "Technical adviser" or "technical expert" should be utilized when representation is desirable on sub-committees of EECR such as conferences on seeds, control of insects, etc., census of railway rolling stock by ECITO, representation on the resin working group which operates under the aegis of U. E. Ministry of Supply, etc.

9. It is further recommended that the American and British Embassies, Rome, be requested to again take this matter up with the respective Governments and urge that the Italian Government be invited through diplomatic channels to send "Non-member observers" to represent the Italian Government on EECR, ECO and ECITO.

Harold Cleveland
HAROLD CLEVELAND
Acting Vice-President

Copy to:
POLAD (A)
POLAD (B)

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Ref: 4002/75/EC
of 14.xi.45

Office of British
Political Adviser

C.S.O. to Ex. Com.
Allied Commission.

NOV 26 1945

Italian Economy

The British Ambassador's comments on
the enclosure to your memorandum No. 4002/66/EC
of October 29th are contained in his letter
to the Chief Commissioner No. 201/72/45 C.D.
of November 12th.

21.xi.45

[Signature]
Asst. Colad (BR)

Copy to British Embassy

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BRITISH EMBASSY,
ROME.

201/72/45.C.D.

12th November 1945.

My dear Admiral

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Thank you for your letter (reference 4343/18/80) of the 31st October regarding the establishment in London of the Emergency Economic Committee for Europe (E.E.C.E.), the European Coal Organisation (E.C.O.) and the European Inland Transport Organisation (E.I.T.O.). You felt that, in view of the recent decision against the setting up of a Samed office in London, renewed support should be given to the request of the Italian Government for the right of direct representation on these Committees.

I am writing to let you know that I entirely agree with your view and that I have submitted my recommendation by telegraph to London.

Believe me, My dear Admiral
Yours very sincerely

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Paul Marks

Rear Admiral Hilary W. Stagg, USNR,
Allied Commission,
Rome.

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| Lt. Col. Moore | | Industry S/C | |
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| Mr. Hughes | | Executive Commissioner | ✓ |
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REMARKS:

① I have made notes of correspondence relative to

a) E.E.O. - up to 19 Nov 45

b) E.C.I.T.O up to 19 Nov 45

c) E.E.C.E up to 19 Nov 45

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Attached for your file 4048 EC are copies of such notes

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E. E. C. E.

Notes Relative to Correspondence in Reference to E. E. C. E.
as Shown by Economic Section Files up to 19 November 1945.

E. E. C. E. - Emergency Economic Committee for Europe. Acts in an advisory capacity, makes recommendations to the various member governments and the Combined Boards, is linked with the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization, meets from time to time to discuss economic problems, and invites representatives from the Allied Commissions of Italy, Austria and Germany, in order to have complete representation.

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1. 20 Aug. 45, Ref. 4048/EC Ltr from CAO AFHQ (Gen. Duff) to AICOM suggesting that SACMED should set up a small office on a joint British American basis in London to represent SACMED, AC and Italian interest on ECG, ECITO.
2. 27 Aug. 45, Ref. 4048/EC Ltr AICOM (Stone) to AFHQ (Duff) in reply to item 1 above.
3. 12 Sept. 45, Ref. ES/3.20V4 Telegram from US Polad AFHQ to US Embassy Rome - "EHEE" WITH UNRRA sponsoring general European conference on food and agriculture statistics London - week - 17 Sept. Representative of Food S/C Agr. S/C desired - Major V.R.A. Cowper (B) and 1st Lt. W. M. Adenson (A) will represent AC per 5295 of 13 Sept.
4. 21 Sept. 45 Ref ES/3.20V4 Ltr M of FA Italian Govt. ref. 44/20133/53 of 21 Sept. to AC re EHEE "The Italian Govt. greatly wishes to be allowed to participate."
5. 29 Sept. 45 - Ref. 4048/EC FX 46248 and F46261 of 2 Oct. AFHQ to AC re setting up SACMED representation in London.
6. 30 Sept. 45 Ref. ES/3.20V4 AC reply to (4) above "The problem of presenting Italy's views and needs at that and kindred committees has been under discussion for some time and I expect to hear the decision within the next few days".
7. 5 Oct. 45 - Ref. ES/320V4 Msg 76008 DCA Troopers for Duff AFHQ from Gen. Anderson. "Postponed Interdepartmental meeting yesterday. Felt that amount of Italian business now coming before International Committees in London does not justify special SACMED representation in London at this stage. Matters discussed in EHEE at this stage do not appear to affect Italy greatly and it is thought that her interest

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- could adequately be protected by representatives of controlling powers who would ask for assistance from you if special problems should arise. Where, however, sub-committees are appointed to consider technical problems particularly from long term point of view there would be no objections to technical experts being appointed either by EACMED or Italian Government as seemed most suitable. This would be matter for special arrangements in each case."
8. 5 Oct. 45 Ref. ES/3.20V4
ES/18.16
AGR/611
- Ltr. from Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs requesting that Ministry of Agriculture participate in EECR seed conference Brussels 9 Oct. 45.
9. 20 Oct. 45 Ref. 4002/EC
ES/3.20V4
- EC directs to ES to prepare letter to Italian Government re MOG 78008 DCA from Troopers (7) above.
10. 22 Oct. 45 Ref. ES/3.20V.14
- Ltr Brig. Anderson to Brig. Lush re EOC and EMOK - Extract
"There is the Fertilizer Sub-Committee of E.E.C.E. sitting in London. They presume to survey all Europe's needs and production capacity in fertilizers. They were oblivious of the Italian problem and of the Franco-Italian differences. Britain is purchasing phosphate rock from the French and having it processed in Spain and Portugal because of lack of her own capacity, meantime the Italian plants capable of dealing with 1,000,000 tons a year lie idle.
- I have pointed out these two cases and a few others - such as electric power distribution - to Gen. Anderson, but he is adamant that it is not a War Office responsibility. Ronald of the Foreign Office, on the other hand, is rather worried about the lack of Italian representation and is considering how it can be obtained outside military sources"
11. 29 Oct. 45 Ref. Agr/886
- Ltr Agr 3/C to American Embassy - (ES/320.Vol4) in reply to ltr of 15 Oct. and cable from American Embassy London re conference under E.E.C.E. to be held in London subject "control of insect and rodent pests. Capt. C. H. Ault & Prof. Bergami Minister of Public Health, Italian Govt - suggested as representative of AC "Nov 3 - #134 Mog from Winant suggest that Minister of Public Health attend.

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12. 31 Oct. 45 Ref. 4048/18/EC
" ES/3.20V4

Ltr AG (Stone) to US and UK Ambassadors Rome re E.E.C.E., EITO, and ECO - " steps should be taken to permit Italian experts dependent from the Italian Embassy in London to attend these committee meetings either as observers or, if possible, with greater powers. The Italian Government have already represented to me their emphatic desire for such representation and it is also a fact that at certain conferences in London (e.g., telecommunications and transport), the Italian Government have been represented by Italian experts. I should be glad, therefore, if the matter could be taken up by the Allied Govts. to this end in order that Italian interests will not be lost sight of, and, which is equally important, that the Italian Government should not gain the impression that they are being omitted from the deliberations of these committees".

13. 2 Nov. 45 Ref. ES/3.20V4

PAT 174 Troopers 82834 cable to ALCOM - "Will you explain to Italians that we are prepared to suggest their membership (London rosin working group under the ACOIS of the Ministry of Supply) and ask them whether they would like to be represented".

14. 10 Nov. 45 Ref. ES/3.20 Vol 4

LAS #18 Paraphrase of telegram received from State Dept. Washington by US Embassy Rome. Rather than proposing full Italian membership in ECO and EECU at this time, Department believes that Italians should immediately be invited to participate as observers. This will avoid jurisdictional and political questions with other members. It will, in fact, give Italians full representation in same manner as other countries who are represented by observers. The particular nature of representation is not of primary importance in view of the informal nature of these organizations. Presume Italian observers would be attached to Italian Embassy in London. In addition to Italian observers there is no objection to ALCOM continuing to send technical experts to attend meetings in order to discuss matters of definite interest to ALCOM, particularly matters on imports under current combined program.

Memorandum of conversation with representative of Italian Embassy on subject of Italian membership in EITO has been sent to you.

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Procedure for membership in ECITO requires more formal action by governments concerned. In view of existence of ECITO office in Rome, it would not appear to be necessary at present for Italians to have membership in ECITO.

The Department feels that direct Italian representation as observers is preferable to SACMED representation. Relative to SACMED's proposal for joint US - UK office in London the War Department or CCS were not consulted by War Office.

18. 19 Nov. 45 Ref. EC/3.20V4

Ltr from ES to EU relative to Italian Representation on EECU and other European Committees

E. C. O.

E. C. O. (European Coal Organization - is Concerned with the Production and Distribution of Coal throughout Europe.
Notes from ES/15.12 Vol. 5

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| 1. 19 May 45 MCB 1320 | US Dept of State "Suggestion for method of working of the ECO. |
| 2. 19 May 45 MCB 1319 | US Dept of State "ECO" |
| 3. 19 May 45 MCB 1326 | US Dept. of State ECO established |
| 4. 6 July 45 | Minister of F. A. (De Gasperi) 12123/28 "I beg you therefore to take action for our country to be admitted in the said organization." |
| 5. 7 July 45 | Cleveland urges Alcom to press for the inclusion of the Italian Govt. as a member - "We have already raised here the question of Italian membership." |
| 6. 11 July 45 Ref. AC/CD/101B/ Commerce | Col. Evans wrote ES "Col. Evans is of the opinion that this is a matter which the Italian Government should take up directly with London & Washington." |
| 7. 12 July 45 Ref. ES/15.12V5 | US Polad to McKinley. "The Ambassador has already sent a telegram to Washington recommending Italian participation in the ECO in London. I will inform you of the US Government's views." |
| 8. 14 July 45 ES/15.12 | ES returned copy of De Gasperi's letter of 6 July to CC - informed him of 7 above and that "The British Polad is taking similar action" and that ES will take no action in this matter. |
| 9. 20 July 45 ES/15.12 | Stone to De Gasperi re 6 July letter "I have just now been informed that both the American and British Embassies are making representations to the appropriate authorities to permit the Italian Government to be properly represented." |
| 10. 25 July 45 ES/15.12 | De Gasperi 14067/31 again asks Stone for admission of Italy as member of ETO not representation. |
| 11. 10 Aug. 45 ES/15.12 | Stone reply to De Gasperi "Your request has been referred to the British & American Embassies and as soon as a decision is reached, I will inform you." |
| 12. 10 Aug. 45 ES/15.12/OV13 | Brig. Anderson AC/5519/Ind wrote European Coal Organization - 19 Chester Square London S.W.1. re supply of coal from France. See reply dated 24 Aug 45 in ES/15.12/0 Vol. 3 |

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| 13. 16 Aug. ES/15.12/0 | Msg. 3820 Alcom to Troopers for ECO re Italian-Polish Coal Negotiations. |
| 14. 20 Aug. 45 | Ltr CAD - AFHQ (Gen. Duff). etc. See ECITO |
| 15. 20 Aug. ES/15.12/0 V 3 | Ltr. 936/20/45 C.D. British Embassy to Alcom re Italian representation on ECO in London** |
| 16. 23 Aug. ES/15.12/0 | Msg. 68620 of 22 Aug. from Troopers in reply to 3820 "You should however make it clear to the Italian Government that any bids for coal from ECO or other sources will have to be accompanied by a statement showing the amount expected to be received from Polish sources." |
| 17. 23 Aug. 45 ES/15.12/0 V 3 | Ltr American Embassy Rome to Alcom re Italian Govt/Poland/Czechoslovakia coal negotiations "US favors negotiations provided that arrangements reached would not conflict with the plans of ECO" |
| 18. 23 Aug. 45 ES | Ltr Alcom to British Embassy in reply to 936/20/45 CD of 20 Aug. 45. "Reference your memo 936/20/45 C.D. dated 20 Aug. 45. I gathered when I was in London that Italian representation on the ECO was not considered practicable until the Peace Treaty had been signed and that, as you say, the presentation of her case can most logically be done by a representative of the Allied Commission. This has been arranged. With regard to representation of Italy's case in the economic field generally, that is on the ECCE and its numerous sub-committees and working parties, it has been proposed that SACHED, in his capacity as President of the AC, should establish an office in London with representatives who would advise the US and UK delegates on these various bodies as to Italian matters. I understand from a telephone conversation with AFHQ that this proposal has their blessing and that a communication on the subject has been addressed to the Chief Commissioner. Admiral Stone has sent a non-committal reply to De Gasperi's letter stating that the matter has been referred to the British and American Ambassadors. |
| 19. 27 Aug. 45 | Ltr. Alcom (Stone etc. see ECITO) |
| 20. 1 Sept. 45 | Ltr. American Embassy to Alcom in ES/15.12 Vol 6 and ES/20.15 - Ltr was in answer to Alcom's ltr of 25 Aug. with regard to the Italian Government |

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21. 8 Sept. 45 Ref. 6/3206 in
ES/15.12/0 Vol. 3

coal negotiations with Poland following is
extract from 1 Sept. ltr.
"With reference to the statement of policy ex-
pressed by the UK representative on the ECO
transmitted to you in the War Office message of
Aug. 22, you will recall that the somewhat
similar views of the Department of State on this
subject have already been brought to the atten-
tion of the Italian Government informally, as
recorded in my letter to you dated Aug. 7 45.
I have reported the British viewpoint to Wash.
but assume that either the British Embassy or
the Allied Commission will convey it to the
Italian Govt."

Minister of F. A. Italian Govt. to AC.
Minister De Gasperi, with letter No. 44/13123/
28 of July 6, 1945, warmly requested Admiral
Stone to interest himself that Italy be made
a member of the European Coal Organization.
Pursuant to this request, the Foreign Office
have addressed on Aug. 27 a Note Verbale to the
Italian Embassy in London in which, without pre-
judice to an eventual admission of Italy to the
aforesaid organization, it is stated that, for
the time being, her needs in the field of coal
could best be illustrated within the Coal Or-
ganization by a British and American official
of the AC. The latter would act as Counsellors
of the representatives of their respective
Governments in all questions connected with the
allotment of coal to Italy.

The Ministry for Foreign Affairs would be there-
fore very grateful if the AC would kindly pro-
vide, as soon as possible, to the appointment of
the aforesaid officials.

22. 22 Sept. 45 Ref. ES/15.12/0
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Ltr Aleon to Ministry of Foreign Affairs Italian
Govt. in reply to 6/3206/ of 8 Sept. from Min-
ister of Foreign Affairs.
"As we understand it, the plan for representa-
tion of Italian interests on the European
Coal Organization as stated in the first para-
graph of your letter is correct. The AC re-
presentatives have not yet been selected;
however, when appointments are made, you will
be notified. You may be certain that the best
interests of Italy will be carefully considered
and adequately presented to the Coal Organiza-
tion."

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23. 25 Sept. 45 Ref. ES/15.12/0
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Copy of Ref. 6/3206 of 8 September. Minister of Foreign Affairs and Aloom's reply ref. ES/15.12/0 of 22 Sept. sent to American Embassy.

24. 29 Sept. 45

FX 46248 etc. see ECITO

25. 5 Oct. 45 ES/3.20V4

Mag. #78008 DCA - Troopers to AFHQ. For Gen. Duff from Anderson re FX 46243. "Postponed Interdepartmental meeting yesterday. Felt that amount of Italian business now coming before International Committees in London does not justify special SACKED representation in London at this stage. Civilian coal for Italy at present provided by US - EDO does not at present allocate coal to Italy but merely takes cognizance of US decision. In view of allocation from USA there would seem to be no necessity for adviser from SACKED regularly to attend their council meetings but we shall presume right of SACKED representative to attend meetings as adviser to British and American representatives, as well as representative from SACKED in EDO Secretariat. It was, however, thought better not to ask for special representation of Italian interests on EDO until UNRRA takes over as agreement of EDO would have to be sought to this. When UNRRA takes over the position will have to be reviewed. There was very full discussion and I am satisfied that problems discussed by these committees at this state are not such as to necessitate any change from the present arrangements of setting up of SACKED representation in London provided that we can ask for adhoc help if necessary." (Copy of Troopers cable #78008 DCA of 5 Oct. 45 sent to American Embassy Rome on 23 October 45 for information. On 20 Oct. 45 by ref 4002/EO in file ES/3.20 Vol. 4 EO directed ES to prepare letter to Italian Govt. re Troopers 78008 DCA of 5 Oct.

26. 22 Oct. ES/3.20V 4

Ltr. Brig. Anderson to Brig. Lush - re EDO & ECKE - extract "To take the case of coal, it is quite misleading to say the EDO does not deal with Italian coal supplies. I had not been in London 24 hours before they had got hold of me to attend a briefing meeting preparatory to the EDO meeting on the 11th. The American representatives, Col. Jeffers, was most insistent that EDO should screen Italy's coal demands despite the fact that the coal comes from America.

I have pointed out these two cases and a few other such as electric power distribution - to Gen. Anderson, but he is adamant that it is not a War

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27. 25 Oct. 45
- Office responsibility. Ronald of the Foreign Office, on the other hand, is rather worried about the lack of Italian representation and is considering how it can be obtained outside military sources."
- Troopers 8/548 to Alcom in ES/3.20 Vol 4
"Has been decided ECO should start taking cognizance of Italian coal requirements through US & UK representatives of ECO.
Pending assumption responsibility by UNRRA suggested member from AC should attend meeting in role of adviser to US & UK members.
Allocation meeting 1030 hrs 6 Nov.
Council meeting 1500 hrs - 8 Nov."
28. 29 Oct. ES/3.20 Vol. 4
- Troopers #82096 CA 18 to Alcom
"Your 7755 para. 2 undesirable that Italian Government representatives should attend at present time. Please confine to AC representatives who will act as adviser to US & UK members."
29. 31 Oct. 45 4048/18/EC
- Alcom etc. see ECITO
30. 5 Nov. 45 Ref. ES/15.12 V 6
- Cable UNRRA London to UNRRA Washington - Addressed London 870 Repeated Washington 831 Reur 683 and London Washington 8317. Subject is coal Italy. Comments on procedure in forthcoming withdrawal Allied Commission from coal supply - Clearance with ECO - by ERO see ES 15.12 Vol. 6.
31. 10 Nov. 40 ES/3.20 Vol. 4
- LAS #18 Telegram received from the State Dept. Washington by US Embassy Rome
- Rather than proposing full Italian membership in ECO and EEE at this time, Department believes that Italians should immediately be invited to participate as observers. This will avoid jurisdictional and political questions with other members. It will, in fact, give Italians full representation in same manner as other countries who are represented by observers. The particular nature of representation is not of primary importance in view of the informal nature of these organizations. Presume Italian observers would be attached to Italian Embassy in London. In addition to Italian observers there is no objection to ~~ALCOM~~ continuing to send technical experts to attend meetings in order to discuss matters of definite interest to ALCOM, particularly matters on imports under current combined program.

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Memorandum of conversation with representative of Italian Embassy on subject of Italian membership in ECITO has been sent to you. Procedure for membership in ECITO requires more formal action by governments concerned. In view of existence of ECITO Office in Rome, it would not appear to be necessary at present for Italians to have membership in ECITO.

The Department feels that direct Italian representation as observers is preferable to SACRED representation. Relative to SACRED's proposal for joint US - UK office in London the War Department or CCS were not consulted by War Office.

32. 15 Nov. ES/15.12/0 V. 3

Extract from report of Col. P. R. Evans, AC representative to the ECO meetings in London 6 Nov. 1945.

In accordance with instructions I visited the Italian Embassy in 3 King's Yard, Grosvenor Square, on Monday morning, but found the Ambassador out of town. I explained the matter fully, however, to the Counsellor, and asked him to get in touch with the British Foreign Office with a view to ensuring the attendance of an Italian Government representative at the Meetings of ECO on the 6th and 8th. He at once agreed, but on Tuesday no one attended from the Embassy, and I soon learned from the Mines Department that the Foreign Office after making enquiries had endorsed the action of the British and US members of ECO in refusing his attendance on this occasion. At my interview with Mr. Eaton Griffith of the Mines Department, I went over the ground once more, and expressed my own surprise at their attitude, in view of their formerly expressed desire to see the Italians taking a more active part at an early date. The explanation, however, which was given me is that, at this meeting they wished only to introduce the principle discreetly of ECO surveying Italian requirements (not to include screening of this year's loadings). The other member countries suffering, all round, as they are from shortage of deliveries, have to be convinced that, for the moment at least, Italy as it were brings her own quota of coal with her, and is not yet another mouth to feed. In those circumstances, it was thought that the presence of an Italian Government representative might be embarrassing.

32. 15 Nov. ES/15.12/0 V 3

Extract from report of Col. P. R. Evans, AC representative to the ECO meetings in London 6 November 45.

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Extract from Supplementary to memo by Col.
P. R. Evans - EOC meeting 6/8 Nov.

At the meeting of the EOC Council on 6 Nov.
it was agreed that an Italian "technical adviser"
should attend the next meetings with the AC
representative. EOC would not agree to an offi-
cial Italian Government representative, but there
is no reason why e.g. Lombardo should not go as
a "technical adviser". Representatives will go
either as advisers to UK/US members or as advisers
to UNRRA, depending on the situation.

33. 19 Nov. 45 ES/3.20 V 4

Ltr. ES to EC relative to Italian Representation
on EEC and other European Committees.

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15.** On the 6th of July the Ambassador received from De Gasperi a copy of a letter which the latter had addressed to Admiral Stone on the same day, asking that Italy should be represented on the European Coal Organization in London. We telegraphed to London & we have seen copies of telegrams exchanged between London and Washington. As a result of this correspondence Washington and London have agreed that, during the next few months coal supplies for Italy will be arranged through the agency of the Allied Commission. A representative of the Allied Commission can most logically represent Italian interests in the ECO. This would not preclude the Italians from having their direct representative at a later date when this seems desirable on practical grounds.

Meanwhile the Italian Embassy have addressed a communication to the Foreign Office in London on the 18th of July. The Foreign Office therefore telegraphed us on the 15th of August, saying that they would speak to the Italian Embassy in London in reply to the latter's communication, and that there would be no need for us here to take action in the matter unless the Italian authorities raised the question with the Ambassador specifically.

Have you any comments to make on this? I do not know if Admiral Stone will wish to send a reply to De Gasperi's letter to him of the 6th July.

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E.C.I.T.O. - European Central Inland Transport Organization -
Is Charged with the Coordination of Inland Transport throughout
Europe.

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| 1. 16 July 45 ES/15.20 | Meeting in Rome ECITO (European Council Inland Transportation Organization - per FX 20237 of 10-7-45. See minutes of above meeting for functions, membership, etc. of ECITO - above file. "Italy and other countries which desire the assistance of this organization may be included at the appropriate time." |
| 2. 24 July 45 ES/15.20 870/49/Tnl | Memo to CC relative to establishment of an Italian Regional Office of Provisional Organization for European Inland Transport (POEIT) 870/54/Tnl - 5 Aug. 45 Stone to Parri. |
| 3. 20 Aug. 45 Ref. 4048/EC | Ltr CAO-AFHQ (Gen. Duff to Alcom suggesting that SACMED should set up a small office on a joint British American basis in London to represent SACMED, AC and Italian interest in EGO, ECITO. |
| 4. 27 Aug. 45 Ref. 4048/EC | Ltr Alcom (Stone to AFHQ (Duff) concurring in suggestions made in 20 Aug. 45 letter. |
| 5. 17 Sept. 45 Ref. ES/15.20 | Synopsis of telegram from Secretary of State U. S. Draft of agreement for first meeting about 25 Sept. Draft terms of reference "ECITO" would consist of a council including all member governments" - In an informal discussion on 17-1-45 between representatives of the French, UK and US Delegations it was "qualification for membership should be of governments having effective control of part of its transport system." |
| 6. 29 Sept. 45 Ref. 4048/EC | FX 46248 and F46861 of 2 Oct. AFHQ to Alcom re setting up SACMED representation in London |
| 7. 5 Oct. 45 Ref. ES/3.20V4 | Mag 78008 DCA Troopers to AFHQ "Controlling powers represent Italy at ECITO Council and Board meetings and we understand ECITO office to be opened in Rome for Liaison with military and control authorities. Council does not meet frequently and best solution would seem to be that controlling powers representative on ECITO can if necessary ask for assistance from you when Italian interests under discussion." |

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| 8. 18 Oct. 45 Ref. 870/GE/Tnl | Ltr to Min. of Transport re (ECITO) ES/15.20 in reply to FS 2687/4.0/3 of 3 Oct. 45. Re Italian membership in ECITO. Th S/C told La Malfa "At the same time, there are certain political difficulties at present in the way of Italy becoming a full member - government pending the signing of a peace treaty. Prof. Mondelink Director General of ECITO London was to raise the question with the council at its next meeting, (in a few days). ORMOA to send Mr. (Brigadier) Fellowes to Italy as representative of ORMOA (Office for Relations with Military and Occupation Authorities) Brussels (part of ECITO). |
| 9. 20 Oct. 45 Ref. 4002/EC | In ES 3.20 V4 Executive Commissioner directs E/S to prepare letter to Italian Govt. re DCA 78008. |
| 10. 31 Oct. 45 Ref. 4048/18/EC ES/3.20 Vol. 4 | Ltr Alcom (Stone) to American and British Ambassadors. Re ECCE, EITO, & EDO. "Steps should be taken to permit Italian experts dependent from the Italian Embassy in London to attend these committee meetings either as observers or, if possible, with greater powers. The Italian Government have already represented to me their emphatic desire for such representation and it is also a fact that at certain conferences in London (e.g., telecommunications and transport), the Italian Government have been represented by Italian experts - I should be glad, therefore, if the matter could be taken up by the Allied Governments to this end in order that Italian interests will not be lost sight of, and, which is equally important, that the Italian Government should not gain the impression that they are being omitted from the deliberations of these committees. |
| 11. 8 Nov. 45 C 36115 AFHQ to Troopers ES/3.20 V4 | Re Major Ping Th S/C attending meeting in Brussels. 4 Dec. on census of rolling stock. |
| 12. 10 Nov. 45 Ref. ES/3.20V4 | LAS #18 Telegram received from the State Dept. Washington by US Embassy Rome 4095 |

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Rather than proposing full Italian membership in ECO and ECEU at this time, Department believes that Italians should immediately be invited to participate as observers. This will avoid jurisdictional and political questions with other members. It will, in fact, give Italians full representation in some manner as other countries who are represented by observers. The particular nature of representation is not of primary importance in view of the informal nature of these organizations. Presume Italian observers would be attached to Italian Embassy in London. In addition to Italian observers there is no objection to AECOM continuing to send technical experts to attend meetings in order to discuss matters of definite interest to AECOM, particularly matters on imports under current combined program.

Memorandum of conversation with representative of Italian Embassy on subject of Italian membership in ECITU has been sent to you. Procedure for membership in ECITU requires more formal action by governments concerned. In view of existence of ECITU Office in Rome, it would not appear to be necessary at present for Italians to have membership in ECITU.

The Department feels that direct Italian representation as observers is preferable to SACRED representation. Relative to SACRED's proposal for joint US - UK office in London the War Department or CCS were not consulted by War Office.

13. 19 Nov. 45 Ref. ES/3.20V4

Ltr from ES to EC relative to Italian representation on ECEU and other European Committees

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
ECONOMIC SECTION
APO 394

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Tel. : 267

19 November 1945

Ref. : ES/3.20V4

NOV 21 1945
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SUBJECT: Italian Representation on RECK and Other European Committees

TO : The Executive Commissioner:

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1. In your reference 4002/EC of 20 October 1945 you ask Economic Section to prepare for signature of the Chief Commissioner a letter to the Italian Government conveying such portion of Troopers signal 78008 DCA (of 5 Oct. (6298 of 7 October), as is considered appropriate.

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2. In view of reference 4048/18/EC of 31 October 1945 Chief Commissioner to U. S. and U. K. Ambassadors and in view of telegram LAS #18 received from the Department of State dated 10 November 1945, copy attached, it would appear that we should not inform the Italian Government as to how it is to be given representation until final decision can be announced.

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3. The Economic Section is in accord with the views of the U. S. State Department as expressed in LAS #18 with respect to Italian participation in EOC and RECK. With reference to ECITU we are making a check of the effectiveness of the proposed ECITU Italian Regional Office in Rome. We will make further comment as to ECITU.

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4. Reference is made to your 4002/60/EC of 29 October 1945 wherein you requested Economic Section comments on Brig. Anderson's D. O. letter dated 22 October 1945. — 24.

5. It would appear from State Department telegram LAS #18 that progress is being made on the problem of ensuring Italian technical experts as observers. It is the view of the Economic Section that the Italian Government, if it can be arranged, should have full membership on the European Committee.

Harlan Cleveland
HARLAN CLEVELAND
Acting Vice-President

Incl:
Copy of LAS #18

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PARAPHRASE OF TELEGRAM RECEIVED FROM DEPARTMENT OF STATE NOVEMBER 10, 1945

PARA 1 - Rather than proposing full Italian membership in ECO and ECEC at this time, Department believes that Italians should immediately be invited to participate as observers. This will avoid jurisdictional and political questions with other members. It will, in fact, give Italians full representation in some manner as other countries who are represented by observers. The particular nature of representation is not of primary importance in view of the informal nature of these organizations. Presume Italian observers would be attached to Italian Embassy in London. In addition to Italian observers there is no objection to AICOM continuing to send technical experts to attend meetings in order to discuss matters of definite interest to AICOM, particularly matters on imports under current combined program.

PARA 2 - Memorandum of conversation with representative of Italian Embassy on subject of Italian membership in ECITO has been sent to you. Procedure for membership in ECITO requires more formal action by governments concerned. In view of existence of ECITO office in Rome, it would not appear to be necessary at present for Italians to have membership in ECITO.

PARA 3 - The Department feels that direct Italian representation as observers is preferable to SACMED representation. Relative to SACMED's proposal for joint US - UK office in London the War Department or CCS were not consulted by War Office.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of Political Adviser (A)

November 16, 1945

NOV 23 1945

TO: Executive Commissioner

SUBJECT: Italian Economy.

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With reference to your letter of October 29, 1945, File No. 4002/66/EC, enclosing a copy of a letter from Brigadier Anderson regarding the lack of Italian representation in ECO, EECE, and ECITO in London, it has consistently been the view of the United States Government that the Italian Government should be represented on the foregoing organizations, either as observers or as full participants. The Department of State now is of the opinion that Italy should be invited immediately to send observers to ECO and EECE. Italian participation through observers is considered preferable at this time to proposing full membership. In this manner political and jurisdictional questions may be avoided and in view of the informal nature of the above organizations the kind of representation is not of first importance. Italians would, in fact, have full representation in the same manner as other countries represented by observers.

If the Allied Commission should wish to continue to send technical experts to ad hoc meetings in London to discuss matters of direct concern to it, there would, of course, be no objection. The general view is that direct Italian representation by observers is preferable to SACMED representation in these organizations in London.

In view of the existence of an ECITO office in Rome and the fact that membership in ECITO requires more formal action by the member governments, the State Department is of the opinion that Italian membership in ECITO is not necessary at this time.

J. Wesley Jones
J. Wesley Jones
Political Adviser (A)

Copies to:
Vice President, Economic Section.
Polad (E).

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HEADQUARTERS ARMED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

NOV 17 1945

Ref: 4002/75/20

14 November 1945

SUBJECT: Italian Economy

TO : V.P. Economic Section
Polad (A)
Polad (B)

1. Reference our 4002/66/20 of 29 October 1945.
2. We would be grateful if we could have your comments on the D.O. letter from General Anderson forwarded under same cover.

B. Sampson

Chief Staff Officer
to Executive Commissioner

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I am making a study of the entire question of Italian Government Representation on European Committee. I will submit a full report one day next week.

D. Sampson

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 334
Office of the Executive Commissioner

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REF: 4002/75/20

November 1945

SUBJECT: Italian Economy

TO : V.P. Economic Section
Polad (A)
Polad (B)

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1. Reference our 4002/66/10 of 29 October 1945.
2. We would be grateful if we could have your comments on the D.O. letter from General Anderson forwarded under same cover.

B. SANDSON

Chief Staff Officer
to Executive Commissioner

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Ref: 4048/18/KC.

31 October 1945.

My dear Mr. Ambassador:

It will be within your knowledge that there have been set up in LONDON various international committees such as the Emergency Economic Committee for Europe (E.E.C.E.), the European Coal Organisation (E.C.O.) and the European Inland Transport Organisation (E.I.T.O.). These committees, or at any rate the last two, have executive functions as well as duties of coordination, and the Allied Nations are represented thereon. So far Italy has not been represented and the present view is that she cannot be directly represented until such time as the peace treaty with Italy is signed. On the other hand Italy is vitally interested in these questions, particularly in coal, and there is danger of her case going by default.

It was suggested that SACRED should set up an office in LONDON on a joint British-American basis and that there should work with this office a nucleus of Italian observers representative of the Italian Government who could hold a watching brief and prepare themselves to take over the responsibilities as soon as the peace treaty with Italy was signed. It had been further suggested that Brigadier Anderson, lately Deputy Vice President of the Economic Section of this Commission, with an American deputy, should be appointed as chief of SACRED's office in London. The proposal was, however, rejected in London on the grounds that the amount of Italian business now coming before the international committees did not justify special representation by SACRED in London at that stage.

It was suggested by London that there would be no objection to technical experts being appointed to the sub-committees of the E.E.C.E. and that SACRED representation could be provided for ad hoc at meetings, if necessary, for the other committees.

It is my feeling that because of the decision made in London that SACRED should not set up an office, steps should be taken to permit Italian experts dependent from the Italian Embassy in London to attend these committee meetings either as observers or, if possible, with greater powers. The Italian Government have already represented to me their emphatic desire for such representation and it is also a fact that at certain conferences in London (e.g., telecommunications and transport), the Italian Government have been represented by Italian experts.

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I should be glad, therefore, if the matter could be taken up by the Allied Governments to this end in order that Italian interests will not be lost sight of, and, which is equally important, that the Italian Government should not gain the impression that they are being omitted from the deliberations of these committees.

I have addressed a similar letter to Sir Noel Charles.

Sincerely yours,

(Sgt) ELBERT V. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

The Honourable Alexander Kirk,
US Ambassador,
ROME.

Sir Noel Charles, Bt., KCMG,
British Ambassador,
ROME.

Copy to: OCS, AFHQ.
Econ Section.

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US Embassy
dated 10/11/45
for US position

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APC 394

Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref: 4002/66/50

29 October 1945

SUBJECT: Italian Economy

TO : Vice President, Economic Section
Political Adviser (A)
Political Adviser (B)

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I am directed by the Executive Commissioner to forward attached copy of D.O. letter dated 22 October 1945 from General Anderson for your comments.

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E. J. W. H. G.

Chief Staff Officer
To Executive Commissioner

See 75. See 11052

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Ref: 1002/56/30

29 October 1945

SUBJECT: Italian Economy

TO : Vice President, Economic Section
Political Adviser (A)
Political Adviser (B)

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E. M. WHITE

Chief Staff Officer
to Executive Committee

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C O P Y.

Tutor Court Hotel,
60, Cannon St.,
LONDON, E.C. 4.

22.10.45.

My dear Lamb:

I should have written to you earlier but you will doubtless have heard that the War Office objection to any further participation in Italy's economic life lead to the cancellation of the plan for a London B.

From a purely military standpoint the decision may be a right one but from any other it is wrong and I have said so. What is on the assumption that we do not wish Italy to do even and follow the trend of the states on her right and fall under Russian domination.

To take the case of coal, it is quite misleading to say the E.C.C. does not deal with Italian coal supplies. I had not been in London 24 hours before they had got hold of me to attend a briefing meeting preparatory to the E.C.C. meeting on the 11th. The meeting representatives, Col. Jeffers, was most insistent that E.C.C. should screen Italy's coal demands despite the fact that the coal comes from America. Incidentally, the American coal strikes have stopped all export of coking coal and thus at an early date the Italian steel industry, unless coking coal comes from elsewhere. I have told the Ministry of Fuel and Power this but they will require continuous pressure put on them to get results.

There is a Fertiliser Sub-Committee of the E.C.C. sitting in London. They propose to survey all Europe's needs and production capacity in fertilisers. They were oblivious of the Italian problem and of the Franco-Italian differences. Britain is purchasing phosphate rock from the French and having it processed in Spain and Portugal because of lack of her own capacity; meanwhile the Italian plants capable of dealing with 1,000,000 tons a year lie idle.

I have pointed out these two cases and a few others - such as electric power distribution - to General Anderson, but he is adamant that it is not a War Office responsibility. Heads of the Foreign Office, on the other hand, is rather worried about the lack of Italian munitions recommendation and is considering how it can be obtained outside military sources.

(Sgt) D. ANDERSON

E.C. DIST - 27 OCT:
Action - VP Economic Sec) For
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Info - Chief of Staff

To take the case of coal, it is quite misleading to say the E.C.C. does not deal with Italian coal supplies. I had not been in London 24 hours before they had got hold of me to attend a briefing regarding temporary to the E.C.C. meeting on the 14th. The Minister for Management, Col. Jeffery, was most insistent that E.C.C. should answer Italy's coal demands despite the fact that the coal comes from America. Incidentally, the American coal companies have stopped all export of coking coal and thus at an early date the Italian steel industry, unless coking coal comes from elsewhere. I have told the Ministry of Fuel and Power this but they will require continuous pressure just on them to get results.

There is a Fertilizer Sub-Committee of the E.E.C.C. sitting in London. They propose to survey all Europe's needs and production capacity in fertilizers. They were oblivious of the Italian problem and of the Franco-Italian differences. Britain is purchasing phosphates from the French and having it processed in Spain and Portugal because of lack of her own capacity, whereas the Italian plants capable of dealing with 1,000,000 tons a year lie idle.

I have pointed out these two cases and a few others - such as electricity power distribution - to General Anderson, but he is adamant that it is not a War Office responsibility. Harold of the Foreign Office, on the other hand, is rather worried about the loss of Italian munitions representation and is considering how it can be obtained outside military sources.

(Sgd) D. ANDERSON

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref: 4002/53

20 October 1945

SUBJECT: Italian Representation on EACB

TO : Economic Section

1. Reference Troopers signal G 298 of 07 Oct, please prepare, for signature of the Chief Commissioner a letter to the Minister of Foreign Affairs conveying such portion of the signal as you consider appropriate.

2. M's letter of 30 Sept. (Ref: 23/3.20 of Sept) in reply to the Ministers 44/20133/53 of 21 Sept. promised to notify him of the decision.

3. Copy of Executive Commissioner's letter to Ambassador Kirk, transmitting copy of the signal is enclosed.

F. H. McCLEARY

Chief Staff Officer
To Executive Commissioner

*Letter being prepared 20/10
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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION *Ex Comm*

Originator's Reference: 78008 DCA
Date/Time of Origin: OCT 051630A

Message Centre No: G 298
Date Time Rec'd: OCT 071135A
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FROM: TROOPERS
TO: FREEDOM INFO ALCOM

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For GENERAL DUFF FROM ANDERSON. Your FX 46248 28 September.

1. Postponed Interdepartmental meeting yesterday felt that amount of Italian business now coming before International Committees in LONDON does not justify special SACMED representation in LONDON at this stage. Detailed examination of position as regards individual committees gave the following results.

2. Supply requirements go to CLAC in WASHINGTON and only such small proportion as provided by UK is dealt with here.

3. Civilian coal for ITALY at present provided by U STATES. ECO does not at present allocate coal to ITALY but merely takes cognizance of U STATES decision. In view of allocation from USA there would seem to be no necessity for adviser from SACMED regularly to attend their council meetings but we shall presume right of SACMED representative to attend meetings as adviser to British and American representatives as well as representative from SACMED in ECO Secretariat. It was however thought better not to ask for special representation of Italian interests on ECO until UNRRA takes over as agreement of ECO would have to be sought to this. When UNRRA takes over the position will have to be reviewed.

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4. Controlling powers represent ITALY at ECTO Council and Board meetings and we understood ECITO Office to be opened in ROME for Liaison with military and control authorities. Council does not meet frequently and best solution would seem to be that controlling powers representative on ECITO can if necessary ask for assistance from you when Italian interests under discussion.

5. Matters discussed in EECF at this stage do not appear to affect ITALY greatly and it is thought that her interests could adequately be protected by representatives of controlling powers who would ask for assistance from you if special problems should arise. There however sub committees are appointed to consider technical problems particularly from long term point of view there would be no objections to technical experts being appointed either by SACMED or Italian Govt as seemed most suitable. This would be matter for special arrangements in each case.

6. There was very full discussion and I am satisfied that problems discussed by these committees at this state are not such as to necessitate any change from the present arrangements of setting up of SACMED representation in LONDON provided that we can ask for expert (ADHOC?) help if necessary. It certainly does not seem necessary to ask Brig ANDERSON to postpone his return to LONDON County Council for this purpose though I agree that he would have performed these duties excellently if permanent representation had been necessary.

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Ref telephone conversation Brig ANDERSON/HAMBLER.

Request ANDERSON and one staff Captain with necessary documents to open Rear AFHQ LONDON be despatched to LONDON on or about 5 October by air.

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My dear Mr. Minister:

I refer to your letter 44/20153/55 of 21 September 1945 dealing with Italian representation on the Emergency Economic Committee for Europe.

The problem of presenting Italy's views and needs at that and kindred committees has been under discussion for some time and I expect to hear the decision within the next few days.

Yours very truly,

W. E. Stone

WILSON W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Gen. Alcide de Gasperi
Minister of Foreign Affairs
Italian Government
Rome

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FROM: FREEDOM SIGNED ALEXANDER CITE EUCAG
TO: ACTION TROOPERS INFO ALCON

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For General ANDERSON DCA from DUFF.

We spoke on telephone last Wednesday on subject of setting up SACRED BEAR HQ in LONDON. You said inter departmental conference would consider on Thursday afternoon. If proposal approved we had intended that British representative should be Brigadier B L ANDERSON whom you know. His experience in ITALY and knowledge of Italian economic situation are exceptional. We have no other candidate nearly as strong. On return here I find that ANDERSON is due for release in near future to return to employment with LONDON County Council. He believes LCC would agree to his continuance in Army for a further period on our request. Decision however in near future is essential. In view of yesterday's discussion can you say whether it is reasonably certain that our proposals will be accepted in such a form that we may count on ANDERSON's employment in this capacity in LONDON by end October. ANDERSON available immediately return LONDON either in anticipation of release or for discussion with you as to his future employment.

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Translation

The Minister of Foreign Affairs

11/20133/53

Rome, 21 September 1945

SEP 24 1945

Dear Admiral,

I have heard that an 'Emergency Economic Commission for Europe' has lately been formed, to study European resources and economic requirements, and supply elements for judgment to the allied Governments. This commission works chiefly through the channel of the 'Food and Agriculture sub-commission' which is meeting in London, in Lancaster House. Representatives of Great Britain, the United States, Belgium, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, France and Norway belong to it.

The Italian Government greatly wishes to be allowed to participate. In the general frame of the European food problem, Italian matters are particularly serious. For this reason, I think that an Italian representative might supply useful information, and competently explain the requirements of the country, in the said commission.

May I ask for your kind intervention, to have the wish of the Italian Government taken in kind consideration.

Believe me, my dear Admiral,

Yours very truly,

S. De Gasperi

Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief of the Allied Commission
Rome

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Office of the Chief Commissioner

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Replying to your letter of 20 August concerning the proposal that SACNES should set up a small office on a joint British-American basis in London, I concur with this proposal provided (a) that it does not operate to make for delay in securing action on matters which must be referred to higher authority, and (b) that such Italian observers as are attached should be provided by and depend from the Italian Embassy in London and not from ministries of the Government at Rome.

In explanation of (b) above, it is important that we not weaken the position of the Italian Embassy in London. The Embassy could be encouraged to increase its economic staff to the extent required, but if the observers were to be furnished directly by the Government at Rome, there is a danger that such appointments would become political plums for distribution to the various political parties.

I concur with your suggestion that Brigadier Anderson could well handle these duties and I should be able to relieve him here by about 1 October. But I will talk with you later on this point.

I have not discussed this matter with the Italian Government, first because I am certain they would approve, and second because I do not want to build up any hopes in advance until the project is somewhat further along.

ELMER W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Major General A. C. Duff, OBE, MC,
Chief Administrative Officer,
Allied Force Headquarters,
C.M.F.

Copy to: Brigadier Lush
Brigadier Anderson

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Major General A.C. D.C.F.
Chief Administrative Officer.
Allied Force Headquarters.
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Dear Admiral Stone,

I am writing in order to put before you certain proposals which seem to me to be of considerable importance. They originated in suggestions made from LONDON some weeks ago, and meanwhile there has been some exploratory discussion here.

In brief, the proposal is that SACMED should set up a small office on a joint British-American basis in LONDON, and that the heads of this office should be prepared to represent officially SACMED's views whenever such representation is necessary or desirable. SHAEF has always maintained a rear office in LONDON, and we suspect that they have derived benefit by doing so, and sometimes at SACMED's expense.

At first sight it may not appear why this should be of any immediate interest to you or to the Italian Government, but I think that in fact the most important part of the duties of this rear office would be the representation of those of SACMED's interests which are also - incidentally - Italian.

During the last few weeks, various international committees have come into being, and of these the two most important are ECO and ECITO. You probably knew what their proposed functions are. ECO - European Coal Organisation - is concerned with the production and distribution of coal throughout Europe. ECITO - European Central Inland Transport Organisation - is charged with the co-ordination of inland transport throughout Europe. Both of these Committees have executive functions as well as the duties of co-ordination, and in the coming six months these executive functions seem likely to be of considerable importance. On both these Committees the Allied nations are represented, but ITALY is not represented and cannot be directly represented until such time as the Peace Treaty with ITALY is signed. ITALY is vitally interested in these questions - in coal in particular - and there is danger of her case going by default.

Our suggestion, therefore, is that SACMED should set up an office in LONDON on a joint British-American basis. To this office I consider that there should be attached a nucleus of Italian observers representative of the Italian Government. These Italians would hold a watching brief, would be kept fully in the picture of what was going on, and would prepare themselves to take over the responsibilities as soon as the Peace Treaty with ITALY is signed. Meanwhile, the senior British and American representatives would have to be officers of a certain seniority, and the level of Brigadier or Colonel seems appropriate. Which individuals should be selected would be a matter for discussion, but on the British side I feel that we can produce no officer so well qualified as Brigadier ANDERSON if he could be relieved of his present duties.

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Would you turn this over and, if you think fit, consult informally with the Italian Government? If next week you are coming in to a SACMED meeting, perhaps you would be able to discuss the question with me afterwards. If, on the other hand, there is no SACMED meeting next week, would you either let me have a written answer or pay us a visit for the purpose.

Yours very sincerely,

/s/ A. C. DUFF

Rear Admiral Ellery W. STONE, USN
HQ Allied Commission,
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